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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
DATED JULY 6, 2007

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated July 6, 2007, having a shortened statutory period expiring August 6, 2007. A petition for a four-month extension of time to respond is filed herewith, setting a new period for response that expires December 6, 2007. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.

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